

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 704 - SB 906

February 15, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Decreases by two days, the period in which early voting is authorized. Authorizes the voter registration applications to be accepted and processed through the next business day before an election when the thirtieth day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday. Removes time requirement for supplemental registrations at a high school. Authorizes certain criteria to apply to early voting places at certain Election Day polling places. Requires certain petitions to be filed 90 days prior to an election. Authorizes a voter who has a transportation worker identification credential, or the spouse of a holder of a commercial driver license, to vote absentee using their residential address, provided that such voter will be working outside of the county or state where the voter is registered during early voting and on Election Day. Deletes signature requirement of emergency ballot. Deletes signature requirement for an electronic poll book without a printer. Authorizes counties to establish a centralized provisional ballot location. Specifies that the campaign financial disclosure act does not apply to service that is part time and which the compensation is less than \$1,000 per month. Deletes the requirement that the authority issuing a certificate of voting rights restoration send a copy to the coordinator of elections.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease Local Expenditures –

\$244,400/FY13-14 and every four years thereafter

\$488,800/FY14-15 and every two years thereafter

Assumptions:

- According to the Division of Elections, shortening the early voting period by two days will save approximately \$244,422 per election for local governments.
- There is no impact in years which there is a Presidential Preference Primary because separate rules apply.
- A decrease in local government expenditures of \$244,400 in FY13-14 and every four years thereafter for May elections.
- A decrease in local government expenditures of \$488,800 in FY14-15 and every two years thereafter for August and November elections.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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